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| For: RUTHENIUM BASED INORGANIC |) | October 27, 2003 |
| AND ORGANIC CONTAMINANT ... |) | |

PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER 37CFR1.102©

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Honorable Commissioner for Patents
U.S. Patent and Trademark Office
2011 South Clark Place
Crystal Plaza Two, Lobby, Room 1B03
Arlington, Virginia 22202

Sir:

Applicants, through their undersigned attorney, hereby petition for special handling, i.e., advancement of examination, of the above-identified application in accordance with the terms of 37 CFR 1.102©. The above-identified application materially enhances the quality of the environment of mankind by providing absorbents to remove and/or oxidize contaminants, including inorganic and organic contaminants, from fluids or solids.

Under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.102©, no fee is required for this petition.

Granting of this petition is earnestly solicited.

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Respectfully submitted,

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Sir:

The undersigned, an attorney of record in the above-identified application, hereby states that the invention that is the subject of this application materially contributes to enhancing the quality of the environment.

The invention provides absorbents for oxidizing and/or removing contaminants from solid, liquid, or gaseous materials. This materially contributes to enhancing the quality of the environment by removing noxious contaminants from the environment.

I hereby further declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and

further that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 81 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon:

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